

## CRIMES AND CASUALTIES.

### AN OLD SAILOR BRUTALLY MURDERED

By Unknown Persons--Natural Gas Explosion--Suicide--The Burning Mines in Pennsylvania.

New York, November 11.--A Galveston (Tex.) special says: A little over a month ago the mutilated remains of Richard Laeock were found floating in the bay, with every indication that a horrible murder had been committed, but owing to the lack of evidence the suspect individual was set free. Late Tuesday another murder, relatively of the same order, was discovered off Pelican Island, a small strip of land across the bay from the city. The victim in this case was one Jim Phillips, aged about 60 years, for the past twenty years has been variously employed on the bay, and latterly took charge of one of Musgrove's sloops. Last Friday he sailed from Galveston in the regular course of business. He was alone on his little vessel. A fisherman, Tuesday last, boarded Phillips's sloop, which lay at anchor near the shore, and discovered the body of Phillips hanging by the neck in the small cabin in such a position as to preclude any theory of suicide. A subsequent investigation by Justice S. E. Smith, the inquest, which the sloop and its ghastly burden were brought to the city, leads to the conclusion that Phillips had been brutally murdered. There were two hideous wounds on his head, both, it is thought, fracturing the skull. The little cabin and deck were bespattered with blood, and the general indications were that there had been a struggle and that the bleeding corpse had been carried below after the fatal blows had been dealt. In further confirmation of this, a bloody hatchet, with which the wounds had been inflicted, was found on top of the cabin. Under the body was found an advertising picture card, on which was written: "Kicker, you have had my life. Your wife is a liar. You are a thief. You went to card." A person familiar with Phillips's writing testified it was not his writing. This slender thread may lead to the apprehension of the criminal. The case is still under investigation.

**The Harvard College Suit.**  
Boston, Mass., November 11.--The defendants' answer has been filed in the United States Circuit Court in the case of Francis R. Brooks against the president and fellows of Harvard College, which is a suit to recover \$50,000 damages for injuries to the plaintiff, who was terribly burned last March by the bursting of a retort containing sulphuric acid. The answer says the defendant never will prove that the accident which occasioned the said injuries was due solely to want of due care on the part of the plaintiff and to his own negligence and disobedience and neglect of instructions carefully given him by competent teachers. It was claimed by the plaintiff that the accident was caused by the negligence of the professor in charge of the laboratory.

**The Burning Mines in Pennsylvania.**  
Pittsburgh, Pa., November 11.--A correspondent of the Chronicle Telegraph went down into the burning coke mine at the Standard coke works this morning to get a look at the fire, and in company with Pitt Boss Dawson went within fifty feet of the fire, going waist deep in water to reach it. The fire is now confined to less than two acres, and is merely burning on top of the headings. On Monday next all the fires will be out, and in two weeks the works will be running from the old estimates of the loss, which have been published, have been greatly exaggerated. It will not, according to the statement of the company and appearances, foot up more than \$40,000, exclusive of loss of business. The miners have done nobly, and fearlessly, 1200 feet under ground, and are entitled to much credit for the good results so far accomplished.

**Natural Gas Blows Up a House.**  
Pittsburgh, Pa., November 11.--The residence of Richard Baker of Latrobe, Pa., was completely wrecked by a natural gas explosion at 10 o'clock this morning. The pipes had just been connected and the gas turned on when the explosion took place. Fortunately none of the family were in the house at the time. The loss was \$10,000.

**A Youthful Suicide.**  
Milwaukee, Wis., November 11.--A dispatch from Berlin, Wis., says Russell Blackstone, aged 17, youngest son of a prominent merchant, committed suicide by hanging in the cellar of his father's grocery. Dependence is supposed to have been the cause.

**The Fencers Had Fun.**  
MACHIAS, Me., November 11.--Calvin P. Graves and James M. McFarlane, both of Machias, Me., are without doubt respectively principal and accomplice in the murder of Joseph Niles and Hill. Investigation establishes unmistakably the identity of the men, both of whom are still at large. A boat is missing from a landing below Ellsworth and the men may have made their escape by water. Officers are out in all directions in the eastern counties. It is said that Graves once murdered a man in Indiana and his reputation is not good.

**A Watchman Burned to a Crip.**  
DETROIT, Mich., November 11.--An Elmore special says: The shingle mill of Kier & Williams, northeast of here, was burned late last night. The night watchman, John Hayes, aged 26, was burned to a crip.

**The Trial of the "Bottle" Aldermen Begins.**

New York, November 11.--In obedience to summonses served on them yesterday, "Jake" Sharp, "Jim" Richmond, James W. Foshay and Thomas B. Kerr appeared in the Court of General Sessions today, to plead to the twenty-one indictments against them for bribery in the Broadway railway matter. The courtroom was well filled with spectators and friends of the accused railway magnates. Mr. Richmond was accompanied by Judge Fullerton, Judge Homer A. Nelson and Frank J. Dupigne, who are engaged for his defense. They took seats near the defendants' railing and chatted quietly. Sharp, Foshay and Kerr were accompanied by their lawyers, John H. Strahan and John H. Bird. The cases were called, Sharp's being first. Albert Stickney arose to represent him, and stated that he was prepared to enter a plea for his client, but before doing so he desired leave to withdraw the plea to be entered, and enter another demurrer to the indictment, or make a motion concerning the case. He desired a reasonable time to decide upon the steps to be taken. District Attorney Marline

stated that the defendant had already had considerable time to examine the case, and in response to Recorder Smyth's query Mr. Stickney responded: "Ten days. This case, your Honor, contains more intricate facts than ordinary cases." Recorder Smyth, after some argument, gave the defendant until Monday next to withdraw the plea and substitute another, but said that if it was decided to make a motion the District Attorney must be given notice a couple of days in advance. A plea of not guilty was then entered in behalf of Jacob Sharp. For Richmond Judge Fullerton entered a life plea, with the same stipulations. He said that he would probably make a motion calling upon the District Attorney to produce the minutes of the proceedings of the grand jury, and would serve the District Attorney with notice Saturday if he so desired. Foshay and Strahan entered the same plea, and John H. Bird performed a like service in behalf of Kerr, and after a short private consultation the defendants and their lawyers left the courtroom.

**A Decision in Favor of the Bell Telephone Company.**  
CINCINNATI, O., November 11.--The opinion of the United States Circuit Court in the case of the government against the American Bell Telephone Company was delivered this morning by Judge Sage. It is very voluminous, and is in favor of the American Bell Telephone Company. Taking up first the defendant's motion to quash the return, the Court granted the motion on the ground that the service, according to the Marbach's return, had been made up on local corporations in Ohio, designated in the return as agents and partners of the defendants. The Court found that the local corporations were not such agents as are contemplated by the Ohio statute defining the method of obtaining service upon foreign corporations in Ohio. Taking up then the plea in abatement, which by the election of the government had been set down for argument instead of being put in issue, and thereby became entitled to treatment by court, as if its statements had all been established by proof, the Court found that the proper elements for giving this court jurisdiction--namely, carrying on business in Ohio through a general agent; and, third, a local statute providing that service should be made on such general or managing agent did not exist. The telephone business in Ohio is done by local companies with leased instruments from the parent company. There is no general or managing agent of the parent company in Ohio. As to the claim of the government that the dealing in a patent made the company a domestic in the entire territory of the United States, the Court held that the patent, the Court held that it could not be sustained. The grant to a patentee is the right to exclude others from making or selling his patent. His right to sell is only the common law right and is not a franchise from the government. The bill was dismissed for want of jurisdiction and without prejudice to instituting suit elsewhere.

**Fotheringham is in a Predicament, No Doubt.**  
St. Louis, Mo., November 11.--The evidence in the express robbery case, so far as made public, goes to prove that the messenger, Fotheringham, was an accessory, or at least a willing victim in the affair. Discrepancies in his statements to the detectives indicate that he knows more of the manner in which the robbery was planned and executed than he would like to have them know, and an express man who was before the grand jury last Saturday stated that the three letters signed "Jim Cummings" were written by one and the same man and expresses his belief that that man was Fotheringham, and that he wrote them before the commission of the robbery. It is known that the messenger's trunk was searched soon after the robbery and a number of sheets of paper were found covered with copies of the signature of W. J. Barrett, manager of the express company. It is supposed that the messenger became a victim to this gang, so that he might fix it to the orders which the robber presented, which allowed him to enter the car. Altogether it looks bad for the messenger.

**Ungrateful Haverly.**  
New York, November 11.--In regard to the arrest of "Jack" Haverly, Harry Miner, last night said: "About two years ago Haverly received \$7,000 from the San Francisco Theatre, on Broadway. Haverly was accused of having pocketed \$5000 of the money, and he was sued in the courts. He wanted to go to Europe, and I, as an act of friendship, went on his boat and got my friend Tom Canby to go on also. Since then Howe and Hummel, who are my counsel as well as Haverly's, have written to him repeatedly to come to New York to meet the suits against him. He has paid no attention to the requests and has kept away although he was assured that he would not be arrested, and all he had to do was to show himself. As he would not come, to protect myself, I was obliged to notify the lawyers that I wanted to be released from the bond. I suppose that has led to his arrest in Chicago, of which, however, I had heard nothing until now. I am sorry for Haverly. He has acted very foolishly and has not repaid my friendly offices as he should have done."

**A Child's Money Safe Containing Two Cents in the Debris.**  
MILWAUKEE, Wis., November 11.--A special from Portage says, Coroner Allen made public today the list of articles taken from the bodies of the victims of the recent railway wreck at East Rio, and also the relics recovered from the ashes and debris of the burned coach. The latter consist mainly of metallic substances, such as pocket knives, coins, keys, baggage checks, watches and chains, etc. Included in the list is a small cast iron child's money safe, containing two pennies. It is thought the public will be interested to know that the safe was found in the body of a child who was killed. The safe was found in the body of a child who was killed. The safe was found in the body of a child who was killed.

**A Big Fire in Chicago.**  
CHICAGO, ILL., November 11.--A fierce fire is raging in the building occupied by the Union Mills of McLaughlin & Co., situated on the northeast corner of State and South Water streets. The top stories are already completely gutted, and the whole building will probably be destroyed. The fire engines were greatly delayed in reaching the building owing to the impassable condition of State street, which is being torn up by the street car companies. The entire stock of McLaughlin & Co., consisting of coffee, tea and spices, was destroyed, involving a loss of \$75,000, fully insured. The loss on the building is only from \$1000 to \$2000.

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## THE GREAT AGONY OVER.

### THE KNIGHTS OF LABOR CONCEDE EVERYTHING

To the Packers--Ten Hours Will Make a Day Instead of Eight.

CHICAGO, ILL., November 11.--A notable arrival at the yards this morning was A. T. Carleton, of Boston, a member of the General Executive Board of the Knights of Labor. He was sent here by Mr. Powderly, and it is thought he will endeavor to settle the strike peacefully. The indications this afternoon are that the great strike at the stock yards is drawing to a close. A. T. Carleton, of Boston, of the General Executive Board of the Knights of Labor, arrived in this city this morning, and after consulting one or two of the "old heads" of the order went out to the town of Lake. When he arrived there he was met by Barry, Marshall, Butler and other prominent Knights. The leader of the strike, with Mr. Carleton as the new angel of peace, report to the Transit House and held a long secret conference. Mr. Carleton is a conservative man, and was, it is said, chosen by Mr. Powderly as the agent most likely to be able to bring about the adjustment of the trouble. It was reported on the Board of Trade today that the following dispatch was received by Mr. Barry this morning: "Order the men back. Eight hour movement at this time considered impracticable, and has not our approval. 'POWDERLY.'"

Mr. Barry refused to affirm or deny the truth of the report when interrogated by note, replying that he was "busy."

Mr. Armour's manager, said that they had heard the same report from their manager at the yards, but they had no confirmation of the report, although they believed it. So many new men have come in from all parts of the country that the packers report this afternoon they need no more. At Armour's 1000 cattle and 3000 hogs were killed today with the force at work in their house, which is composed almost entirely of new men.

**The Strike Ended.**  
CHICAGO, ILL., November 11.--The strike at the stock yards is at an end. Late this afternoon Mr. Barry, who has been on the ground ever since the strike was inaugurated, and who all day has been consulting with the packers, announced that the order sending the men back to work will be issued. The men will go back on the packers' terms, namely, ten hours per day. What proportion of the strikers will find employment is rather doubtful. At the end of the last strike the packers announced that none of the new men would be discharged to make room for those who left them, and they were anxious to give the new hands permanent employment. What soon after the strike was over the new men left in droves, the explanation being given that the old men would make it so unpleasant for them that they could not stay in Packingtown. All the boardinghouses there virtually boycotted the new men. This explanation is being repeated now or not is the question. The packers say not and further state they have made every arrangement to prevent it. All the boardinghouses that have been started for the new men will be maintained. It is further announced that the packers will require of every man in the employ a written guaranty that he will give the firm three or four days' notice before leaving, and a money deposit will be required from every employee to cover his guaranty. This rule will apply to the new men now at work as well as to those engaged in the future.

**Going Back to Work.**  
JANUARY 11, N. Y., November 11.--The strikers at the hog slaughter on the Hucksack meadows, all went back to work this morning at an increase of wages. The company refused to dismiss the two foremen, as the strikers demanded, and also refused to treat with a committee from the Knights of Labor who waited on them. After a conference with a committee of the strikers the bosses succeeded in making an amicable settlement, to the satisfaction of all concerned. Both parties made concessions.

**The Cokemakers Reconciled.**  
PITTSBURGH, Pa., November 11.--President Castello of the Miners' Association, left for the Connelsville coke regions last night to use his influence in averting a quarrel between the operators and the men. A demand has been formulated by the local Executive Board of the association and presented to the coke operators. If the demand should be denied, the men threaten to strike, but the chances are against a lockout. Such action would be particularly severe upon the producers just at present, as the demand for coke at paying figures is greater than the output. President Castello will investigate the grievances and secure, if possible, the peaceful solution of the problem.

**Non-Union Slaundering Pens.**  
ALBANY, N. Y., November 11.--Twenty-six car loads of cattle on the hoof for dressed beef houses were received today. The agent of Swift & Co. has secured an Abies hog abattoir and has non-union butchers slaughtering cattle there. Some of the stock received was driven to Ocho where at other non-union slaughterhouse is in operation. Thirty car loads of dressed beef from Chicago reached here this morning, twenty of which were for Hammond & Co. and ten for Armour.

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